## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

COMMON CAUSE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

CIVIL ACTION

v.

BRAD RAFFENSPERGER,

FILE NO. 1:22-CV-00090-ELB-

SCJ-SDG

Defendant.

GEORGIA STATE CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

CIVIL ACTION

v.

FILE NO. 1:21-CV-5338-ELB-SCJ-SDG

STATE OF GEORGIA, et al.,

Defendants.

## DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF DECISION NOT TO SEEK STAY

Defendants in the above-styled cases previously notified the Court of the final orders in the cases Alpha Phi Alpha v. Raffensperger, Grant v. Raffensperger, and Pendergrass v. Raffensperger (collectively, the "Section 2 cases") on October 26, 2023, enjoining the use of the same redistricting plans challenged in these cases. [CC Doc. 135]; [Ga. NAACP Doc. 198]. During the pretrial conference on October 31, 2023, the Court required Defendants to notify the Court by Friday, November 3, 2023, whether Defendants in the

Section 2 cases were planning to seek a stay of the rulings enjoining the plans pending appeal.

Defendant Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger<sup>1</sup> hereby notifies the Court that, although he plans to appeal the rulings in the Section 2 cases on the merits, he will not seek a stay of the orders enjoining the use of the 2021 redistricting plans (*Alpha Phi Alpha* Doc. 333, *Grant* Doc. 294, *Pendergrass* Doc. 286) while any appeals of those orders are pending.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of November, 2023.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The final orders in the Section 2 cases dismissed claims against members of the State Election Board, so the Secretary is the only remaining Defendant in those cases. The remaining Defendants in the *Ga. NAACP* case are not part of the Section 2 cases.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**

Pursuant to L.R. 7.1(D), the undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Notice has been prepared in Century Schoolbook 13, a font and type selection approved by the Court in L.R. 5.1(B).

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